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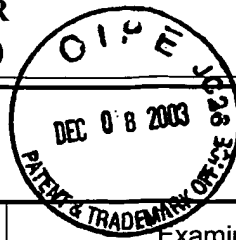
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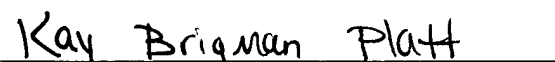
  
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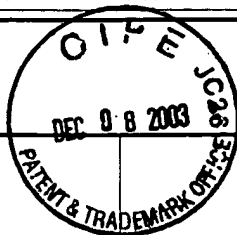
  
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**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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	5,852,892	12/29/98	Bilgeri et al			
	5,711,103	1/27/98	Da Keng			
	5,194,678	3/16/93	Kramer			
	5,074,188	12/24/91	Harris			
	4,625,620	12/2/86	Harris			
	4,470,216	9/11/84	Harris			
	4,397,112	8/9/83	York			
	4,351,224	9/28/82	Curtis			
	3,235,998	2/22/66	Hadley			
	3,235,997	2/22/66	Stoner			
	1,890,423	12/6/32	Teagarden			

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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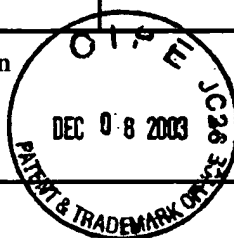
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The following references are believed to be relevant to the subject application:

1. US 5,852,892 issued to Bilgeri et al on 12/29/98 for a rifle with bi-pod.
2. US 5,711,103 issued to Da Keng on 1/27/1998 for a bi-pod mounting device. Da Keng teaches a bi-pod that swivels about a vertical axis, has legs that splay to an open position and has adjustable telescoping legs.
3. US 5,194,678 issued to Kramer on 3/16/93 for a firearm rest.
4. US 5,074,188 issued to Harris on 12/24/91 for a pivotal bi-pod adapter.
5. US 4,625,620 issued to Harris on 12/2/86 for a bi-pod for a firearm. The legs of the Harris bi-pod store in a forward position.
6. US 4,470,216 issued to Harris on 9/11/84 for a bi-pod mounting device and muzzle brake.
7. US 4,397,112 issued to York on 8/9/83 for a rifle bi-pod.
8. US 4,351,224 issued to Curtis on 9/28/82 for a bi-pod mechanism for small arms. The legs of the Curtis bi-pod store to the rear.
9. US 3,235,998 issued to Hadley on 2/22/66 for a gun rest.
10. US 3,235,997 issued to Stoner on 2/22/66 for a bi-pod gun mount.
11. US 1,890,423 issued to Teagarden on 12/6/1932 for a rifle rest.

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It is believed that the attached documents do not disclose or make obvious applicant's invention(s). Accordingly, examination of the claims on the merits and allowance of the application are earnestly requested.